Date: 14 August 2020, 11:00 – 12:00

Participants

Action Contre la Faim (ACF); Care Nepal; Catholic Relief Services (CRS); Global Health Supply Chain-Procurement and Supply Management project (GHSC-PSM); International Organization for Migration (IOM); Ipas Nepal; Lutheran World Federation (LWF); Marie Stopes International Nepal (MSIN); Ministry of Home Affairs (MoHA); MountainChild; Nepal Red Cross Society (NRCS); Oxfam; People In Need (PIN); Plan International; Terre des hommes (Tdh); United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF); United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS); United States Agency for International Development (USAID); World Food Programme (WFP); World Health Organization (WHO)

Meeting Chaired by: Mr. Murari Wasti, Chief of NEOC, MOHA

Agendas:

1. Nepal National Logistics Cluster services
2. Health logistics update
3. Monsoon Preparedness
4. Gaps or issues and AOB

Action Points:

- WFP to create a working group with USAID & World Bank to create a proposal to suggest a blanket clearance letter like in the past for specific medical items related to COVID-19 and for specific agencies from the Ministry of Finance (MoF).
- USAID to follow up and check with concerned authority if there have been change in COVID-19 testing protocol and provide more information in the next meeting.
- WFP to translate and share the customs information received from MoF.

1. Nepal National Logistics Cluster services

The following updates were shared regarding the National Logistics Cluster services:

- The seventh WFP air passenger flight landed in TIA, Kathmandu on Wednesday, August 12th. The flight transported 265 kgs of medical items from KTM to KUL for UNICEF Myanmar and 36 inbound passengers and 34 outbound passengers from humanitarian agencies, boarded the flight to Kuala Lumpur same day.
- The next WFP flight is scheduled on August 26th and the service will continue bi-weekly on Wednesdays for the month of September, if commercial air service does not resume (Sept. 9th and 23rd).
- Transported 35 trucks, 215 MT medical supplies of the government and humanitarian agencies to the province capitals and from the province capital to the district headquarters from August 1st to August 14th.
2. Health Logistics Update
USAID on behalf of the External Development Partners, Supply Chain Management group shared the update below on health logistics:
- UNFPA is procuring additional PPEs for health service provider.
- WHO has procured oxygen concentrator, PPEs and lab items.
- With support from the World Bank, 7 automated testing machines have been procured with RNA extraction machines and test kits. This will allow 18,000 test per day to be performed.
- UNOPS has procured 100,000 manual test kits and 50,000 RNA extraction kits.
- Stock of Depo-Provera are running low. PSM is working on delivery of that urgently.
- UNFPA has procured 500,000 pcs of misoprostol which will be delivered this week or next.
- Reproductive health kits were distributed in Province 5 and Sudurpaschim Province.
- Management Division, Ministry of Health and Population is planning to resume the pipeline meeting in near future.
- Requested members to ensure commodities that their organization has contributed to record in the e-LMIS.

3. Monsoon Preparedness
MoHA shared the update below on monsoon preparedness:
- Search and rescue work are ongoing to recover bodies of those missing in a landslide at Jugal Rural Municipality in Sindhuaplchock district on August 14th morning. 205 people have died, more than 60 people are missing, and 127 people have been injured due to floods and landslides incidents in various districts across the country. 50% of injured people have recovered.

Update by agencies on monsoon preparedness:
- NRCS informed that their federation has approved to support families affected by floods and landslides. They have been distributing relief materials to people of landslides and floods affected districts. Red cross Emergency Clinic is planning to handover medicines currently in stock to a pharmacy.
- Plan International informed that through their local partner, they managed to distribute NFIs and hygiene kits to people affected by landslide in Kalikot district.
- UNICEF informed that the relief items that they had prepositioned for 10,000 households have been utilized for the monsoon response and procurement has been initiated to replenish those items.

4. Gaps or issues and AOB
No any gaps or issues and AOB

In case of other gaps, questions or issues, please do not hesitate to contact the National Logistics Cluster:
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